

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Venegas, Jr.

Serial No.: 09/829,033

Group No.: 2875

Filed: April 9, 2001

Examiner: Sawhney

For: LIGHTED STANCHION COVER

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed December 19, 2002, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Replace current claim 8 with the following:

8. (Amended) The elongated tubular body defined in claim 7, wherein the message is stenciled

letters or an image upon the body.

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